

# TRAVEL GUIDE

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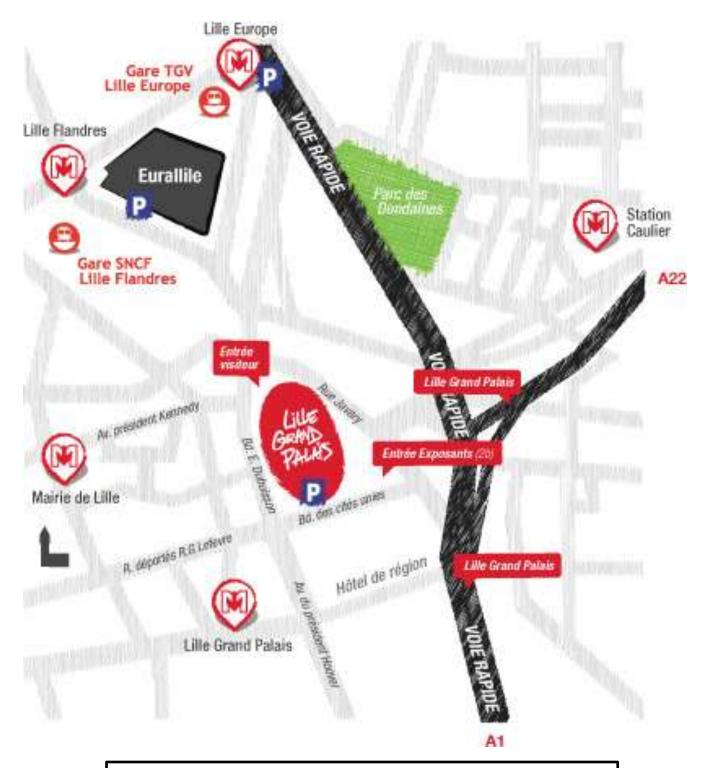
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Calling code :+33 Time zone : GMT+2 summer. Cell phone network: 3G and 4G.

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# **TOURNAMENT VENUE**



Lille Grand Palais 1, Boulevard des Cités-Unies 59000 LILLE

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# TO THE VENUE



#### Lomme St Philibert

Maison des Enfants Mitterie Pont Supérieur Lomme-Lambersart Canteleu Bois Blancs Port de Lille Cormontaigne Montebello

## Porte des Postes

Porte d'Arras Porte de Douai Porte de Valenciennes Lille Grand Palais Mairie de Lille

## Gare Lille Flandres

Gare Lille Europe
Saint Maurice Pellevoisin
Mons Sarts
Mairie de Mons
Fort de Mons
Les Prés
Jean Jaurès
Wasquehal-Pavé de Lille
Wasquehal-Hôtel de Ville
Croix-Centre
Croix-Mairie

#### Epeule-Montesquieu Roubaix-Charles de Gaulle Eurotéléport

Roubaix-Grand Place Gare-Jean Lebas Alsace Mercure Carliers

#### Tourcoing-Sébastopol Tourcoing-Centre

Colbert
Phalempins
Pont de Neuville
Bourgogne
Tourcoing C.H. Dron







## By Underground



## Line 2 (the red one)

Station Lille Grand Palais Exit convention Center

From 6 a.m to midnight One way ticket : 1.5€

10 tickets : 12.5€ (1.25 each)

Link: http://uk.transpole.fr/

## By Train

Situated just 400 meters from one another, Lille's two train stations are located in the city centre and are served by both the subway and the tram.

Lille Flandres Station: TER regional trains and direct TGV service to Paris.

Lille Europe Station: Eurostar service to London and Brussels, direct TGV service to Roissy Airport, Paris and all major French cities.

Brussels: 38 mn, 14 TGV and

Eurostar trains a day

Paris: 1h, 26 direct TGVs a day

London: 80 mn Genève: 4h15

Lyon: 3h, 11 direct TGVs a day Rennes: 3h50, 4 direct TGVs a day Marseille: 4h30, 6 direct TGVs a

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Bordeaux: 5h, 6 direct TGVs a day Montpellier: 5h, 5 direct TGVs a

day

Strasbourg: 3h20

For more information: SNCF trains and TGVs: <u>SNCF</u> (Tel: +33 (0) 892 35 35 39 (0.34 EUR inc. VAT/min))

<u>Eurostar</u> / <u>SNCB</u> (Belgian trains) TGV Lyria (to Switzerland).

## TO THE VENUE

## By car

Six motorways lead to Lille:
A1 from Paris (220 km)
A22 / E17 from Ghent (75 km), Antwerp (125 km)
and Amsterdam (290 km)
A23 from Valenciennes (53 km)
A25 from Dunkerque (80 km) and the A26 from
Calais (110 km)
A27 / E42 from Brussels (110 km)

Lille has street level car parks offering about 20,000 parking spaces as well as several metro car parks in the city centre,

in addition to on-street pay-and-display ticket parking.

The rate generally varies between €1.30 to €1.60 an hour, depending on the location.

There are also 7 park-and-ride centres located at key metro stations, accessible with a ticket Pass Pass: Porte d'Arras, Porte des Postes, CHRB Calmette, Saint Philibert, Les Près, Triolo, 4 Cantons, as well as one paid bus parking lots (Champ de Mars), which provide a free ride downtown on the bus 12 upon presentation of your parking voucher.



Back to the future to GP Lille

Eurotunnel Le Shuttle offers a fast and frequent service from Folkestone to Calais in just 35 minutes and with up to 4 shuttle departures an hour. Lille is only an hour and a half drive from the Eurotunnel Calais Terminal on the A26 motorway. For more information:

08443 35 35 35 (from the UK) or 0810 63 03 04 (from France). <u>www.eurotunnel.com</u>

## By plane

<u>The Lille-Lesquin International Airport</u> is located 10 km from Lille city centre.

It serves more than 70 national and international destinations.

Scheduled domestic flights with Air France, Aigle Azur, Air Algérie, Easyjet, HOP!, Ryanair, Tunisair, Transavia, Volotea and Vueling Companies to and from: Ajaccio, Bastia, Biarritz, Bordeaux, Lyon, Marseille, Montpellier, Nantes, Nice, Perpignan, Strasbourg and Toulouse.

Direct international flights to and from: Barcelone El Prat, Genève, Venise, Agadir, Marrakech, Oujda, Porto, Alger and Oran.

Shuttle service from the airport to the city centre (bus stop sign "Liaison aéroport" outside the Euralille shopping center) is available.
Length of ride: 20mn



Dragon airlines to GP Lille

# **GENERAL INFORMATIONS**

## Language and communication

The official language is French. A lot of French can speak English, especially the younger generation. Obviously, it is not their native language so if you need to talk to them, you should speak slowly and pay attention to articulate as much as possible.

French players can understand most **Magic** words in English, such as tap, untap, instant, stack, damage, mulligan, life, and so on. You can normally play a game with a French player without having to say anything in French. However, you might want to know some French sentences used by local players. Here they are, along with some other useful phrases:

## **Playing**

Nice to meet you. — heureux de faire votre connaissance.

I play first. — je joue en premier.

I play second (I draw). — je joue en second (je pioche).

How many cards in your hand? — Combien de cartes en main?

What's your total life? — Combien de points de vie ? Please wait a second — Un instant s'il vous plait.

I concede. — je concède

Thank you. — Merci

## Currency

The Euro (€ symbol) is the French (and European Union) currency.

1 Euro roughly equals 135 Japan Yen - 1,35 US Dollars - 0,85 English pounds.

Currently the 5 and 10 euros bills are being replaced by new bills. Both are legal

Most of the store accepts credit cards such as VISA and Mastercard – AMEX is way less popular and recognized. However, sometimes, a minimum amount (10-15€ depending of the store) is required for using a credit card to pay. Therefore you shouldn't have to keep a lot of cash in your pocket. You can ask for an invoice/receipt for any amount.

#### **Numbers**

0 — zero

1 — un

2 — deux

3 — trois

4 — quatre

5 — cinq

6 — six

7 — sept

8 — huit

9 — neuf

10 — dix

11 — onze

12 — douze

13 — treize

14 – quatorze

15 - quinze

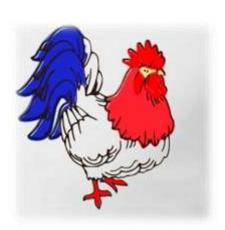
16 - seize

17 - dix-sept

18 – dix-huit

19 - dix-neuf

20 - vingt



new 5 euros bills



# **GENERAL INFORMATIONS**

## Traveling

Where is [Lille Grand Palais] Station? — Où se trouve la station [Lille Grand Palais]?

Is it near here? — Est-ce proche?

Can I walk until there? — Puis-je y aller à pied?

Does this train stop at ~? — Ce train s'arrête t-il à ~?

What's the next station? — Quelle est la prochaine station?

How long does it take? — Combien de temps cela prend?

I'd like to buy a return ticket. — Je voudrais acheter un billet aller-retour.

Please take me to [Lille Grand Palais Congress Centre] — Emmenez moi à [Lille Grand Palais

Congress Centre] s'il vous plait. How much does it cost to go to [Lille Grand Palais CongressCentre]? — Quel est le prix pour aller à [Lille

Grand Palais Congress Centre]?
Where are the toilets? — Où sont les toilettes?

## **Tipping**

There is no tipping habit in France. Service is already included in the invoice. At restaurants, taxis, hotels, etc. You never need to provide any tip and if you do so, it'll be likely accepted if a special attention or a particular service has been provided.

In Comedy Theatre and Concert Hall, there is a tip habit for the staff member who led you to your seat. Most of the time, tips are his/her only salary.

## Safety

Lille is a safe place but it doesn't mean there is no crime. It depends of the time and the place, and your luck, avoid being alone especially at night.

Always take care of your valuables, especially in crowded places, such as the metro. It is wise to keep your bags and pockets closed and to carry your backpack in front of you when using public transport. Never leave your things unattended.

Keep an eye on your belongings also in restaurants, and don't keep them on the table visible to others or hang your bags on your chair. When you arrive at the airport go directly to baggage claim to retrieve your luggage. Don't let anyone help you with it. Try to also respect your airline's instructions on allowed hand luggage, as there are limitations on carrying fluids on board, for instance. It might save you from unpleasant surprises, such as having your bottles confiscated, at the security check.

Thieves tend to work in groups, so be wary of random people approaching you in order to talk to you about something. It might be just a distraction to keep you busy while someone else is emptying your pockets.

Pickpockets often work where many people stop watching at street artists and the like, so be careful when around crowds.

If you want to hire a taxi, having the venue or hotel address written on a paper might help getting there if you don't speak French.

In case you are travelling with a car, you should not leave any objects inside the car visible through the windows. It is also recommendable not to leave things in the trunk, especially if your car has a foreign license plate.

It is a good idea to take precautions so that nobody can see your PIN number when you use your credit card for paying in shops or while drawing cash at a cash dispenser...

You can also try to locate an officer of the local police, or police station ("commissariat de police" in french).

It is a good idea to carry your documentation separate from your money, and not to carry all your money in one place. Losing only part of it is a lesser problem than losing all of it at once!

# **GENERAL INFORMATIONS**



Take care of your lugages in public places and transportation,

«Vigipirate plan» (to prevent terrorism) is active in France,

you'll probably cross policemen and soldiers in arms, unattended, abandoned or lost lugages will be destroyed and you may be prosecuted.

In case you need help, the **emergency number is 112**, as in most European countries but there are local emergency numbers.



for medical emergencies : 15 for police emergencies : 17 for firefighters emergencies : 18

If any doubt or not sure, dial: 112

If you call an emergency number by mistake, don't hang up, just explain to the helpline operator that it's a mistake and everything's allright, if you don't, an emergency team will be sent to be sure everything is OK.



## **Smoking**

Smoking is prohibited in public spaces (bar, restaurant, stations, transports, hotel) and the GP Venue but not outdoors.

## Convenience stores.

In Lille there are convenience stores in almost every corner that are open with extended hours. They tend to have not only a great array of hot and cold snack foods and drinks, but also things like battery packs for phones, toiletries, and alcoholic drinks. Yes, you can buy beer and wine in convenience stores. Drinking in public space is not prohibited in France, but it's not recommended.

If you're looking for a cheap takeaway meal, you can easily find a cold one in a convenience store. There are lots of sandwiches and take away store opened late at night in Lille main streets.

## THE EVENT

## The Event Fact Sheet

First of all, have you checked the event fact sheet webpage? It's got lot of information about the main tournament, the public events and the hall attractions. You should take a close look at it and decide which things you wouldn't like to miss:

You will find informations on the T.O. page <a href="https://www.bazaar-of-moxen.com">www.bazaar-of-moxen.com</a> and of course on the Wizards of the Coast official page for GP Lille 2015

don't forget to check for updates regularly.

## Registration

39,99€

Online registration <u>bazaar-of-moxen.com</u>
On-site registration: Friday, to be defined
There will be no on-site registration on Saturday

Get your Exclusive Promo FOIL Griselbrand, Exclusive GP Main Event Play Mat and 50 BoM Points



## **Artists**

Did you check which artists are attending?
Yeah, it's on the webpage mentioned above.
In Lille, **Magic** artists Michael Sutfin and Johannes Voss will be attending.
You should start gathering all the cards you want to get signed at the event.

By the way, here are a couple of tips about artists that you should keep in mind: Be understanding: artists make long trips to attend these events and spend days signing cards. Please

don't ask them to sign your full basic land collection – bring piles of maximum 10-15 cards. If you really want to get more cards signed, join the queue again, so other fans get the chance to get their cards signed, too.

If you want something special done to your cards or another item (like a binder), ask, don't assume, and accept what the artist is willing to do.

The best way to show your appreciation for their work and time is buying a print or an artist proof from them. This is especially true if you ask them to sign a lot of cards: be grateful and buy something from them.

Michael Sutfin Johannes Voss

# **HOTELS**

## Hotels

There's a lot of hotel in Lille. See map

Close to the GP venue, you can find:

## **NOVOTEL LILLE CENTRE GARES**

49 rue de Tournai 59000

LILLE

Phone: +33 3 28 38 67 00 Fax: +33 3 28 38 67 10

## **IBIS LILLE CENTRE GARES**

29 avenue Charles Saint-Venant

59000 LILLE

Phone: +33 3 28 36 30 40 Fax: +33 3 28 36 30 99

## IBIS STYLES LILLE CENTRE GARE BEFFROI

172 rue de Paris

59000 LILLE

Phone: +33 3 20 30 00 54 Fax: +33 3 20 57 66 66

You can also find a youth hostel:

## AUBERGE DE JEUNESSE DE LILLE

12 rue Malpart

59000 LILLE

Phone: +33 3 20 57 08 94 Fax: +33 3 20 63 98 93

## LILLE

## Magic in Lille

There are several game stores in Lille. Some stores have play space where you can play booster drafts, EDH, etc.

WotC's own store locator is a handy tool for finding them:

http://ww2.wizards.com/StoreAndEventLocator

Main shops are:

## **Hobby Max**

9, rue George Maertens 59000 Lille

- -+33 (0) 320391908
- -http://www.hobby-max.fr

#### **Troll et Ptits Lutins**

30 rue Gosselet 59000 Lille

- +33 (0) 320881351
- http://www.estaminetdestrollsetpetitslutins.fr/ It is also an Estaminet (Typical North French food and beers restaurant)

#### Bazar du Bizarre

24 rue des ponts de comine 59000 Lille

- +33 (0) 320555665
- -http://www.bazardubizarre.com/mag.asp

#### Rocambole

36, rue de la clef 59000 Lille



## Eat in Lille

There's a lot of Restaurant in Lille but if you want to taste Typical North French food and beers, you have to go to an Estaminet (selection link : http://en.lilletourism.com/restaurants-in-lille.html ).

## Carbonnade flamande



## Tarte au Maroilles



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